THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO.19322 OF 2005

Dated 31st August 2005

Between:

APSRTC Staff & Workers Union (INTUC – Regd.No.3155);,

7-1-1072/5/A, RTC Cross Roads, Opp:Saptagiri Theatre,

Musheerabad, Hyderabad, rep. By its General Secretary.

…Petitioner

And

The Govt.of A.P., rep. By its Principal Secretary,

Transport Roads Buildings Dept., Hyderabad & another

…Respondents

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O R D E R:

The petitioner is a registered trade union, comprising of the staff and workmen of APSRTC. It has been participating in the negotiations and conciliations, before various authorities, in relation to the settlement of disputes, or espousing the causes of the workmen. In fact, in the recent past, it has been invited to participate in the conciliation, before the Commissioner of Labour, through letters dated 16.6.2005 and 20.6.2005.

The grievance of the petitioner is that in the negotiations that are going to take place to day, it has not been invited, on the ground that in the order passed by this court, in a writ petition filed in public interest, the name of the petitioner was not referred to, as one of the participants in the negotiations.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, learned Government Pleader for Roads and Buildings, and learned Standing Counsel for the Corporation.

A perusal of the letter dated 16.6.2005, and the one dated 20.6.2005, addressed by the Managing Committee of the second respondent, discloses that the petitioner was invited to participate in the negotiations and conciliations. The present round of talks is undertaken, pursuant to the orders passed by a Division Bench of this Court, in a writ petition filed in public interest. Simply because the name of the petitioner is not referred to in the order, it cannot be kept out side the negotiations.

For the foregoing reasons, the writ petition is allowed, and it is directed that the petitioner shall be entitled to participate in the on going negotiations, in relation to the service conditions of the employees of APSRTC, before any authority. There shall be no order as to costs.

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